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FORTY PUPILS TO GRADUATE

Two Score Students Will Leave the Eighth Grade for High School This Semester.

EXERCISES NEXT FRIDAY

Address is to be Given to the Pupils by H. S. Babcock, of the Alma Record.

The annual midyear promotion exercises of the eighth grade will be held in the Junior high school room of the Washington school on Friday afternoon, January 23 at 2:00 p. m. at which time forty boys and girls will leave the intermediate grades to begin their high school careers.

The program for the promotion exercises has not been fully arranged, as yet, but it is certain that the music will be furnished by the pupils of the eighth grade. The address to the pupils will be given by H. S. Babcock of the Alma Record.

There are forty pupils in the class, although it is more than possible that forty will not be promoted into the high school. Those in the class who may finish the eighth grade work this coming week are Willard Ake, Percy Anderson, Hubert Ellison, Harold Bartling, Winston Bartling, Victor Chaney, Ralph Garner, Harold Gilkin, Malcolm Goebel, William Mitchell, Alvin Pellott, Arland Moore, Clair Patterson, Michael Shodka, Richard Reynolds, Gene Wagner, Laurel Wyant, George Smith, Harold Bortels, Ione Buck, Doris Childs, Dossie Davis, Margaret Godfrey, Marion Grover, Mary Hanford, Dorothy Johnson, Maude Kelly, Emma Kruger, Lulu Lockwood, Esther Manning, Mildred McIntosh, Emma Monk, Geraldine Parks, Edna Plowman, Bernice Sharrar, Neva Stinchcomb, Mildred Seard, Josephine Williams, Lucile Wing and Esther Zinn.

MT. PLEASANT WON

College Five Swamped in Season's Opener by Normals.

The Alma College basketball team was badly defeated by the Mt. Pleasant Normal quintet last Friday evening on the Normal court, being unable to stop Brooks, the Normalites wonderful center, who sent 'em spinning into the netted cage from every conceivable position. The game ended with a score of 44 to 9.

It was the first college game for the local aggregation, while the Normal five had played several games, and was in better condition, but even at that there is no question, but with Brooks working in good shape, that the Normals would have won—and won hands down. Nevitt's court team is a wonderful one this year, the best that the Central State Normal has ever had. It deserved to win.

Alma put up a fine defensive game all through the forty minute battle, and in the second half the Normal forwards were held down to the five points. Tambling of three forwards used, being the only forward able to cage a counter.

Crittenden at center played a "bear" of a game, outjumping the Normal star, time and again, mixing in the teamwork well, and putting up a fine defensive game. Captain Tebo and Mills also looked good on the defense.

The Normal guards, particularly LeCronier, were of high class and the Alma forwards got little opportunity to show anything.

The Alma team played a good game for the opening game, although at times the passing was poor, but this is usually expected in a first game. The big Normal victory was not due to Alma weakness as much as it was to the Normal's strength.

Lineup and summary:
Alma—9 Pos. Normal—44
Richards L. F. Beddow
Smith R. F. Mooney
Crittenden C. Brooks
Tebo L. G. Shelton
Mills R. G. LeCronier

Substitution: Alma—Gaffney for Smith, Boyne for Richards, Payne for Crittenden, Crittenden for Mills; Normal—Tambling for Beddow.

Field baskets—Brooks 10, LeCronier 4, Beddow 2, Mooney 2, Tambling 2, Tebo, Gaffney, Richards. Fouls—Brooks 6 out of 10; Richards 0 out of 2; Gaffney 3 out of 5. Referee—Hoolihan, Mt. Pleasant.

DIED MONDAY

Aged Alma Resident Passed Away at His Home on Maple Ave.

Albert W. Canada, aged 72 years, died at his home on Maple avenue, Monday noon, following an illness of some months.

He has lived in this city only a few years. He was born in Pennville, Indiana, and when a young man served his country in the Civil War. He is survived by his aged wife, one son, and one daughter.

The funeral services were held from the home yesterday afternoon under the auspices of the Masonic lodge, No. F. & A. M. Rev. Duffey of the M. E. church took charge of the service at the home, and at the cemetery. Past Master Howard Lake of the local lodge read the beautiful Masonic ritual.

VOTE ON LEAGUE

College Students and Faculty Desire a Compromise.

In company with seven hundred other colleges and universities the students and faculty of Alma college voted on four questions submitted regarding the league of nations.

The final question regarding a compromise between the Lodge and Democratic forces carried by a large majority, both with students and faculty members.

The total votes cast on the four propositions follow:

"I favor the ratification of the League and Treaty in any form." 28.
"I am opposed to the ratification of the League and Treaty in any form." 10.

"I favor the ratification of the Treaty but only with the Lodge reservations." 22.

"I favor a compromise between the Lodge and the Democratic reservations in order to facilitate the ratification of the Treaty." 107.

CHANGE IN STATE HIGHWAY CERTAIN

Ithaca-Alma Road To Go North from Ithaca for Six Miles Then West to Alma.

The location of the Center Line highway, between Alma and Ithaca, as the north and south trunk line through the center of the state is to be known, is definitely settled, it is understood, a letter to the county board of road commissioners from the state highway department having moved the road one mile east from its present location, and thence two miles west into Alma.

This means that the line marked out by the county board of road commissioners will be the one that will become the state trunk line between Ithaca and Alma. The road will run straight north from Ithaca for six miles, and then straight west into Alma.

The present expectations are that the former state road will be continued as a township road, and if this is done there will be two good roads between Ithaca and Alma.

The changing of the road one mile east is not expected to be detrimental to the interests of Alma in the least, and may possibly prove a good thing for the city, as it will give an additional mile of state trunk line to the east. There are strong probabilities that sooner or later this two miles of trunk line east from Alma will be paved.

Alma will have two trunk line roads, north and south and east and west. The Center Line highway will come into Alma from Ithaca and will go north from this city, out Wright avenue to Shepherd and Mt. Pleasant. The east and west road will come from Saginaw by way of St. Louis and the angling road, known in Alma as Michigan avenue. It will go to the west out of Alma on West Superior street.

LOST DEBATE

Mt. Pleasant High Took Two to One Decision From Local School.

The debating team of the Mt. Pleasant high school, coached by Ray Cheny, principal there, and a graduate of Alma High in 1911, took a spirited debate from the debating team representing the local school Friday evening by a two to one decision of the judges, the question under discussion being, "Resolved that the United States should adopt a system of universal military training for all able-bodied male citizens between the ages of 18 and 25."

The Alma team which upheld the affirmative side of the question pointed out the inadequacy of the present system in the United States, and declared that the country must be prepared against future wars and possible invasion by the proposed system of military training, which would enable the immediate mobilization of a well trained army. It was also pointed out that returned soldiers, now forming the American Legion favored such a system of training, and declared that it would lessen the evils and dangers of radicalism in the country.

The negative team from Mt. Pleasant held that such a system would tend to create militarism, which would gain control of the nation's politics; that it would be detrimental to the Americanization of foreigners; and to considerable extent, that such training for months each year would cripple American industry. It was also pointed out that the strengthening of the United States navy made such a plan unnecessary.

Velmer Lyons, John Holmes and Elliott Crooks composed the Alma team, which met the Mt. Pleasant debaters.

DIED SUDDENLY

Mrs. William Davis died here suddenly Thursday afternoon, following an operation for tumor, being 39 years of age at the time of her death. Mrs. Davis had come to Alma only a few months ago with her husband, William Davis, at the time he assumed management of the Davis' cigar store and barber shop. Her remains were shipped to her old home in Pittsburgh on Friday, where the funeral was held. The body was accompanied by the husband and his brother, A. W. Davis.

Buy the best. Buy DeLuxe.—77-1f

NEW DIRECTORS WERE ELECTED

Alma Building & Loan Association Will Increase Capital to One Million.

GOOD BUILDING OUTLOOK

Many Applications for Loans on Completed Homes in Alma Have Been Made.

The stockholders of the Alma Building & Loan Association, at the annual meeting held Monday evening, authorized the directors of the association to proceed with the plans for increasing the capitalization of the local building concern to \$1,000,000, there being every evident desire on the part of this association of Alma people to do everything possible to promote the healthful growth of the community.

The reports that were given at the annual meeting indicated that the \$1,000 club, recently formed in connection with the Alma Building & Loan Association, but in stimulating the idea of building homes in Alma, and the association is evidently certain to be swamped with applications in the next few months for aid in home construction here. One big evidence of this is the fact that one Alma company has already made application with the association for loans with which to construct ten modern homes in Alma.

It was reported, also that the \$1,000 Club was growing in a very satisfactory manner, the secretary's report showing that the club had increased the membership of the Alma Building & Loan Association about four hundred per cent in the last few months.

It was made certain at the annual meeting that the campaign for memberships for the \$1,000 club will be carried on more energetically in the coming months than in the past few months, as there is certain to be a great demand this coming spring and summer for loans for homes in Alma. Before the campaign is brought to a close, every man in Alma who has an income sufficient to allow him to save the needed \$7.50 per month, will be invited to join the club, and to share its benefits at the end of the period for which he joins. At the present time there seems to be no question but what the club will secure the thousand members that it is seeking and in time have a fund of one million dollars available for home builders in this city.

D. L. Johnson, secretary of the Alma Building & Loan Association, Tuesday called attention to the number of vacant lots in Alma that were owned by people living out of the city, who had evidently purchased them with a view of making money on them. He pointed out the increase that must be secured over the original price, if these parties were to secure interest on their investment and for taxes, and stated it as his belief, through his close contact with building operations in Alma, covering a long period of years, that the best way for these people to make money in Alma would be to build homes on these lots, and then sell as the need for houses here was such that they could quickly be sold at advantageous terms.

At the annual meeting Monday evening there were some spirited contests in the election of the directors. Following is the board that will serve during the coming year: Frank E. Pollasky, Charles G. Rhodes, Charles O. Ward, D. L. Johnson, Floyd H. Glass, L. N. Baker, R. E. Davies, Glen S. Crisp, A. G. Moore, A. P. Cook, E. B. Soule and C. H. Smith. As some of the directors were called away before the meeting came to a close, the election of officers will not be held until the next meeting is held.

THIRD NUMBER

Dennis Will Lecture on Bolshevism at M. E. Church.

The important subject of Bolshevism will be presented here on the Lyceum course Wednesday evening by Prof. Ralph B. Dennis who will lecture on "Russia and the Bolsheviks."

Professor Dennis went to Russia in the first part of November, 1917. When the revolution put Russia out of the war he entered the service of the United States government as vice-consul, attached to the Moscow consulate general. The lecture will be given at the Methodist church.

During his stay in Russia Prof. Dennis traveled thousands of miles in that vast country. He lived for a period of weeks or months in the following cities: Moscow, Rostoff-on-the-Don, Novo Cherkask, Kharkoff, Petrograd and Nizhny Novgorod.

He had in his travels a chance to see the Red army in action, cities taken, industry taken over, people hunting food and shelter, transportation paralyzed. Prof. Dennis recently gave testimony before the senate committee investigating the question of Bolshevism. What he had to say was counted so important that numerous metropolitan papers gave much space to his views and opinions.

Best ice cream. DeLuxe.—77-1f-c

READY SOON

Alma's \$60,000.00 Strand Theatre Expected to be Ready in March.

The new \$60,000.00 Strand theatre as Alma's new showhouse is to be known, is expected to be ready for use early in March if the present rate of construction is continued.

The walls are going up rapidly in spite of cold weather, and once this is done and the roof is in place, it is expected that the work will proceed more rapidly than at present, and it is the hope of Manager Miller of the Idlehour theatre, that the new place can be opened during the early part of March.

With this expectation orders are being placed for equipment for the new theatre, which the management expects to be one of the finest in this part of the state. Already an order has been placed for a new \$10,000.00 Bartola Orchestral organ for the new theatre, for delivery at that time. This makes it very evident that the owners of the showhouse intend to give Alma the best that can be secured in the new theatre.

AMERICAN LEGION ELECTS NEXT WEEK

George W. Myers Post of this City to Select Officers for the Coming Year.

At the meeting of the George W. Myers post, No. 132, American Legion, held last week in the city hall, to outline and organize the work for the year 1920, Donald B. Smith, vice commander presided, and following the usual order of business two tickets were nominated, and at the next meeting of the local branch officers for the coming year will be elected from the two tickets, the Blues and the Whites.

The tickets nominated follow: White: commander, Emerson Reese; vice commander, D. B. Smith; adjutant, Edwin Mahr; historian, C. Thornton; finance officer, Nicmar Diaz; chaplain, J. A. Mulvey. Blue ticket: commander, William Britton; vice commander, Verne E. Rogers; adjutant, L. D. Burt; finance officer, T. Lohring; chaplain, J. A. Mulvey.

It is requested that each member of the post be present at the next meeting Tuesday evening, January 20, at 7:30 to cast ballots for the officers for the year. C. R. Robinson and Jerome Kanter were selected by the legion as publicity managers for the tickets, Robinson for the Whites and Kanter for the Blues.

Other matters taken up at the meeting were the election of Edwin Mahr as chairman of an entertainment committee, and he is reported as already busy in this respect. "Pat" McCarty was elected as chairman of the membership committee, and he is requesting the co-operation of all members in the securing of new ones. An athletic committee was also appointed, consisting of Verne E. Rogers and Harold Woodley, which will take charge of the athletic activities and arrange contests with other posts.

It was also decided to hold the regular bi-monthly meetings of the post on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 in the city hall, and every member is urged to be present at all meetings.

Attention is also called to the fact that all 1920 dues are now due and payable.

TWO GAMES

Both College and High School Fives to Play Here.

Two big games are billed for the high school basketball court Friday evening that are bound to attract wide attention. The first game will be between Midland high and Alma high and will start promptly at 7:15. The second game will be the feature of the evening and will be a hot scrap between the Union Truck five of Bay City and the Alma Collegians.

The Truckmakers will bring to Alma a team that has three former Alma college stars in its lineup. These are Gallagher, Steggall and "Jake" Anderson. The three men played on one of the best fives that ever represented the college. Bay City has other strong men who round out a well balanced basketball team, that knows the game, and has the ability to handle the ball.

The college team is commencing to round to form rapidly, since the defeat of the hands of the Normals last week, and the fans are certain of seeing the Maroon and Cream working in good shape. The offense in particular is showing far better this week, than was the case several days ago.

The high school battle with Midland high promises to be a good fray. The Midland team is reported to be one of the strongest that has ever represented that school, and with Alma being represented by her strongest basket ball quintet, the high school game will probably be a thriller.

Arrangements have been made by the management to have plenty of seats in the gymnasium on the running track, and on the gymnasium floor, so that everyone who attends is certain to have a seat. As this is the first double bill of the season, and brings two strong aggregations here on the same night, the fans are sure to have a rare treat.

SEEK CHANGE IN GAS RATE

Guaranteed Seven Per Cent Return on Investment is Now Sought by Company.

NEEDS TO IMPROVE PLANT

Must Be Able to Show That Interest Can Be Paid on Money to Be Secured.

Tuesday evening a proposition was brought before the city commission by R. B. Wagner, manager of the Gratiot County Gas company, which if finally adopted in Ithaca, St. Louis, Breckenridge and Alma, would assure the concern of seven per cent on its investment—this in spite of the fact that the company paid eight per cent last year.

Mr. Wagner told the commission that it was highly desirable that some form of profit sharing be worked out here, so that the company would be guaranteed seven per cent, with a remission to the gas users of the city, of any amount over that, this profit sharing idea to replace the temporary ordinance now in use.

Mr. Wagner stated that it was the desire of the company to make some big improvements in the company, that were vital to supplying present needs as well as to provide for future business, but that notes against the company would not be handled under the present conditions, as the rate, which allowed the company to pay eight per cent last year is a temporary matter, revocable at any time, and as a result notes could not be floated under this condition, as the revocation of the temporary ordinance would leave the company without funds to pay interest.

Mr. Wagner stated that the company desired to install a large storage tank, that would allow the mixing of gas, so that it would all be of uniform grade, and that it also desired to extend mains, but unless some such method could be worked out, this could not be done, unless the company went through bankruptcy proceedings, which would halt all such work for about a year.

The meeting was enlivened by a rather spirited little tilt between Commissioner Creaser and Mr. Wagner, relative to some statements which Mr. Creaser intimated had been made at a meeting last summer by Mr. Wagner, and were at variance with some that he made at the meeting. Mr. Wagner challenged Commissioner Creaser to bring them up, but the city simply advised Mr. Wagner to think it over "before you go to bed tonight." The warm atmosphere was soon dispelled, under the various questions that were asked of Mr. Wagner and he was assured that the commission would look closely into the matter, and take such action as was deemed to be advisable.

THROUGH SOON

Local Census Enumerators Rapidly Winding Up Their Work.

It was reported yesterday by Postmaster V. P. Cash that the local census enumerators were rapidly bringing their work to a close and that another five or six days would finish the counting of the noses in Alma for Uncle Sam.

Miss Jennie Miller, who has charge of the work in the fourth ward practically finished that ward Tuesday evening. Miss Cash has finished the work in the third ward and is now busy with the second ward, working west from the eastern end of the city. Miss Swigart, in charge of the first ward, has worked east and north to the river, and expected that five days more would be needed to close her part of the work.

Postmaster Cash has called attention to the possibility that some people might have been missed in the counting and requests that if there are any such people in Alma, that they call at the post office and give the needed information at once, as there is every desire naturally to have the population of Alma just as large as possible.

The results of the work of the census enumerators are secret, even to the population at the present time, but close observers in Alma are figuring that the census will show that Alma has in the neighborhood of 8,500 people within its borders, as against 2,757 ten years ago, or 311 per cent more than ten years ago, a growth that will probably compare very favorably with any place in the state.

OLD PIONEER DEAD

Elias Van Leusen, an old pioneer of Gratiot county, died at a local hospital last week, following an illness that has extended over a period of months. He was 76 years of age. He came to Gratiot county at an early age, and until about a year ago engaged in farming a few miles east of Alma. He is survived by two grandchildren. The funeral was held from the M. E. church Saturday, conducted by Rev. Duffey. Interment was made in Pritchard cemetery.

Oh, Boy! "Fatty" Arbuckle in "The Hayseed"—Idlehour, Wednesday and Thursday.—adv.

LAUNCHED

Miss Esther Rhodes Broke Bottle As City of Alma Left the Ways.

Just at 9:15 a. m. Tuesday Miss Esther Rhodes of this city broke the bottle over the U. S. S. "City of Alma," as it started down the ways at Bristol, Pa., to begin its career of service for Uncle Sam.

Up to the time of going to press none of the Alma delegation, which went east for the launching had returned to Alma, so information regarding the "City of Alma" is rather meager. A telegram to Homer M. Dunham of The Record from Lieut. T. A. Robinson Tuesday, however, gave some data regarding the vessel. The "City of Alma" has a capacity of 9,000 tons. Its length over all is 417 feet, beam 54 feet, and the draft is 25 feet, unloaded. The ship is an oil burner and has a three thousand horse power turbine.

The message also stated that it was expected that the "City of Alma" would ply between New York City and Argentina.

BIG DISPLAY AT NEW YORK SHOW

Republic Motor Truck Company Exhibit Was a Big Feature of Commercial Branch.

As they lead in commercial fields, Republic trucks, made by the Republic Motor Truck Company Inc., of this city, were the leaders in the truck section of the New York Automobile show held last week, the Alma concern having the largest single truck exhibit at the show, there being twelve trucks in the display, which during every moment of the great show, proved a big attraction for the throngs of dealers, eager buyers and the sightseers.

The Republic Motor Truck Company, Incorporated, had trucks on display for almost every conceivable purpose that has created a demand great enough to warrant attention.

The twelve trucks, including four chassis, were all feature exhibits. These include the well known Republic combination chemical fire truck, a lumber roller, a truck bus, a horizontal dump, and an oil tank. Included in the exhibit were two new Republic features. One of these was an orchard spray and the other a 10 combination, all purpose farm truck, a recent product of the Alma factory, that can be converted by the farmer for any farm purpose from the transportation of small fruits to a truck that will take the cattle to market.

The exhibit did not only attract wide attention, but it brought a good amount of business to the local factory, a large number of orders being secured at the show, which promise to be increased later as a result of the exhibits.

BEET GROWERS ATTENTION

There will be a meeting of sugar beet growers called by the state committee appointed at Saginaw in Dec., at Ithaca Tuesday, January 20, 1920, at 1:00 p. m. Every beet grower will find it to their interest to attend this meeting. Outside speakers who are familiar with conditions will be present.

Civic League Annual Report

Yearly Meeting of Alma Civic Improvement League Brings Out Interesting Facts Regarding the Twelve Months' Work.

The annual meeting of the Civic Improvement League was held on Friday, January 9, at the home of Mrs. E. T. Lamb. Thirty-six women were present. The reports of the secretary, Mrs. R. H. Wilcox; of the treasurer, Mrs. Estella Moore; and of the chairman of the library committee, Mrs. Floyd Glass, were read as given below. Reports from many committees were listened to with interest. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President—Mrs. Francis King.
First Vice President—Mrs. H. H. Soule.
Second Vice President—Mrs. Frank E. Baines.

Secretary—Mrs. R. H. Wilcox.
Treasurer—Mrs. M. Estella Moore.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. C. G. Rhodes.
Auditor—Mrs. J. E. Fuller.

Report of the secretary for the year ending December 31, 1919:

One year ago 180 women were enrolled since then the number has reached 199. At present we have 172 members. Seventeen women have left the city and with sorrow we record the death of five of our members. Mrs. E. H. Doane, Mrs. James E. Mitchell, Miss Delavan, Mrs. Fred Hooper and Mrs. John Chick.

Twelve regular meetings have been held—two at Republic school—with an average attendance of 25. We look back upon a year of most profitable meetings, because of the stimulating subjects brought to us by the different speakers.

Dr. Jackson was at the February meeting and outlined its plans for our new library in the city hall, giving its possibilities and most essential features. At the same meeting Miss Dunlap explained the new commission form of government and

A NEW SCHOOL MUST BE BUILT

Congestion in Local Schools Is Such That No Other Relief Is in Sight.

AUDITORIUM IS TOO SMALL

Radical Changes Must Be Made to Provide for Present and for the Needs of Future.

With the approach of the closing days of the first semester of the year in the Alma public schools, a grave need for a new school is becoming more apparent, and it is certain that within the next few months the school district will find a serious proposition on its hands in this respect.

The schools are crowded right now to capacity, especially the Washington building and the high school, and it promises to be a hard matter to take care of the new pupils that will be in these buildings next semester. Over fifty boys and girls will go into the crowded junior high room in the Washington school, whereas only forty will leave at the end of the semester. This will cause a congested condition in this building. The condition in the high school is highly serious. Last summer additional seats were put into the auditorium, and relieved conditions temporarily, but with forty pupils leaving the eighth grade next week for the high school, there will again be that same big shortage. The school officials have not been able to work out a plan that will allow for additional seats in the auditorium, and will be forced to resort to the highly unsatisfactory proposition of seating the new comers in the balcony that overlooks this room.

Such conditions as these cannot but prove somewhat detrimental to school work, and are serious enough to be given thoughtful consideration by every school voter in the district. Two possible plans for relieving conditions seem possible at the present time, it is understood. One of these would be to enlarge the present high school by the construction of an addition, to the east, and also an additional ward building. The other would be to tear down the old Washington school, and to erect on the site, a large high school suitable to meet the needs of Alma for years, and then use the present high school for a junior high building. The site of the Washington school would be ideal for a high school being almost in the center of the community. Another thing, which might favor this plan is the fact that the Washington school is an old building, not well ventilated, not any too well lighted, and perhaps not any too sanitary.

There has been no announcement made yet by the school officials as to what they may ask of the voters of the district, when they have laid plans to relieve these conditions. But that something must be done is certain.

Mrs. Bahlke made clear the Beer and Wine amendment, "What It Is and What It Is Not." In April Mrs. Priest gave the league a description of the Gary schools, Gary, Indiana, describing the building and the vision of Supt. Wurt and the people back of the Gary system known as the "Work, Study, Play Plan."

Mr. Reynolds, the city manager, spoke at the May meeting giving a short resume of city conditions, of expenses already incurred as well as things necessary to be done. Mr. Reynolds assured the league he would be glad to cooperate with them in working for the good of the city.

At the September meeting held at the Republic school Supt. Kelder addressed the league taking for his subject, "The Best Schools for the Children of Alma," and emphasized the great need of cooperation between the school and the home. City commissioners Glass and Chick were also present at this meeting and stated their willingness to cooperate with the league, and that the commission was working for the good of Alma as a whole. Four most valuable talks were given on child welfare work. Mrs. Burkheiser explained how the work was conducted in Cleveland; Mrs. Robt. Cook gave an account of her own experience with the work of the Child Welfare committee at Glens Falls, N. Y. Miss Lemmon, science instructor at the public schools, speaking on this subject, dwelt mostly on the value of the weighing machine. If when weighed and measured, children were found to be below normal an interest could be taken in building them up; and at the December meeting Miss Julia Abbot, specialist in kindergarten education of the government board of

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